

A RESOLUTION to commend Colonel Jimmie Moore Leach for his exemplary accomplishment and his faithful service to Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the elected Representatives of the state of Tennessee should honor those citizens who have given unreservedly of themselves in order to ensure the betterment of their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Jimmie Leach has proven, through all his endeavors, to be a commendable and faithful servant of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, his meritorious service in the United States Navy from 1943 to 1946, his participation in the Pacific Theater of War on a destroyer escort, the "USS 743", and his service in the Army Guard as a sergeant produced the courage and self-esteem essential to carry out the very services for which this body is honoring him; and

WHEREAS, he is a valued member of the Main Street church of Christ in Milan, Tennessee where his spiritual service evinces his robust belief in the Lord; and

WHEREAS, a deeply involved and politically astute citizen, Colonel Leach has been highly active by serving as a Regional and West Tennessee Representative for Governor Ned McWherter; and

WHEREAS, a public-spirited citizen totally committed to conducting governmental affairs, he served as Postmaster in Atwood, Tennessee for 31 years; and

WHEREAS, a born leader, Colonel Leach has previously served as Chairman of the Tennessee Heart Association for three consecutive years; no other individual has ever served longer; and

WHEREAS, Colonel Leach is a blessed man, sharing both love and companionship with his smart and lovely wife Gerthal Leach, his daughter Madeleine Russell, his son Jimmie Van Leach and his two grandchildren Elizabeth and Thomas Earl; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to recognize and commend Colonel Jimmie Moore Leach, one of Tennessee's finest citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby commend Colonel Jimmy Moore Leach on his faithful service to Tennessee and wish him well in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That appropriate copies of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copies.

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